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Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A polyester film which has a base layer (B) and comprises at least one overlayer (A), wherein the base layer (B) comprises thermoplastic polyester and the overlayer (A) comprises a mixture of said thermoplastic polyester selected from one or more of polyethylene terephthalate, polyethylene 2,6-naphthalate, poly-1,4-cyclohexanedimethylene terephthalate and polyethylene 2,6-naphthalate bibenzoate and poly(m-xylenedipamide), said film exhibiting an oxygen transmission of less than $50 \text{ cm}^3/(\text{m}^2 \cdot \text{bar} \cdot \text{d})$ based on 12 μm thick film and an interlaminar adhesion of greater than 0.5 N/25 mm, said overlayer (A) forming an outermost layer of said film.

2. (Previously Presented) The polyester film as claimed in claim 1, wherein the overlayer (A) comprises from 5 to 95 % by weight of poly(m-xylenedipamide) and from 5 to 95% thermoplastic polyester, each based on the weight of the overlayer (A).

3. (Original) The polyester film as claimed in claim 1, wherein not only the overlayer (A) but also the base layer (B) comprises poly(m-xylenedipamide).

4. (Original) The polyester film as claimed in claim 3, wherein the base layer (B) comprises from 0 to 30% by weight of poly(m-xylenedipamide), based on the weight of the base layer (B).

5. (Original) The polyester film as claimed in claim 1, wherein the melt viscosity of the poly(m-xylenedipamide) is smaller than 2000 poises.

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6. (Canceled)
7. (Previously Presented) The polyester film as claimed in claim 1, wherein the thermoplastic polyester of the base layer (B) has one or more of ethylene glycol units and terephthalic acid units, or ethylene glycol units and naphthalene-2,6-dicarboxylic acid units.
8. (Previously Presented) The polyester film as claimed in claim 1, wherein the polyester of the base layer (B) has isophthalic acid units, terephthalic acid units, and ethylene glycol units.
9. (Previously Presented) The polyester film as claimed in claim 1, wherein polyethylene terephthalate is used as polyester of the base layer (B).
10. (Original) The polyester film as claimed in claim 1, which has an A-B-C layer structure, A and C being overlayers which may be identical or different.
11. (Original) The polyester film as claimed in claim 10, wherein the overlayers comprise polyester used for the base layer (B).
12. (Original) The polyester film as claimed in claim 1, wherein at least one surface of the film has a gloss greater than 100.
13. (Canceled)
14. (Original) The polyester film as claimed in claim 1, which has an opacity smaller than 20%.
15. (Canceled)
16. (Original) A packaging film comprising a polyester film as claimed in claim 1.

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17. (Previously Presented) A polyester film according to Claim 1, wherein the planar orientation of said film is less than 0.160.

18. (Previously Presented) A polyester film according to Claim 1, wherein said overlayer (A) is disposed directly on said base layer (B).

19. (New) A polyester film according to Claim 1, wherein at least one surface of the film has an average roughness R_a of from 10 to 100 nm and a gloss (angle of incidence = 20°) of greater than 100.

20. (New) A polyester film comprising a base layer (B) and at least one overlayer (A), wherein the base layer (B) and the overlayer (A) comprise a mixture of thermoplastic polyester and poly(m-xylenedipamide), said base layer (B) comprising from 5 to 20% poly(m-xylenedipamide) based on the weight of the base layer (B), said overlayer (A) comprising from 10 to 90 % poly(m-xylenedipamide) based on the weight of the base layer (A), and the film exhibiting an oxygen transmission of less than $30 \text{ cm}^3/(\text{m}^2 \cdot \text{bar} \cdot \text{d})$ based on 12 μm thick film and an interlaminar adhesion of greater than 1.5 N/25 mm.

21. (New) A polyester film according to Claim 20, said film further comprising a layer (C) disposed on layer (B) on the surface opposite layer (A), wherein said layer (C) alone comprises at least one anti-blocking agent.